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In re patent application of Sarkis Barret KALINDJIAN et al.

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For: HISTAMINE H, RECEPTOR LIGANDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified prior application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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2. (Amended) [A] The compound [according to] of claim 1, wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, cycloalkyl and cycloalkylalkyl, wherein alkyl moieties are optionally substituted by halo, and aryl groups are optionally substituted by C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy or halo.

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3. (Amended) [A] The compound [according to] of claim 1, wherein R² is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, halophenyl, benzyl, halobenzyl, phenylethyl, halophenylethyl, phenylpropyl, halophenylpropyl, phenylbutyl, halophenylbutyl, tolyl, methoxybenzyl, trifluoromethylbenzyl, halo-methoxybenzyl, phenylbenzyl, adamantanemethyl, adamantanepropyl, cyclohexanemethyl, cyclohexaneethyl, and naphthyl.

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4. (Amended) [A] <u>The</u> compound [according to any of claims 1 to 3] of claim 1, wherein x is 0.

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